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SAVE THE DATE!

August Monthly Neighborhood Meeting/Forum-

Our next neighborhood meeting will take place on Thursday, August 27th at Ironwood H.S. from 5:30p - 7:00p. in the library. We will have a brief presentation on the light rail project with a representative from Valley Metro and our Transportation department. These neighborhood meetings are mostly Q & A sessions with all topics fair game.

Sahuarro Semi-Annual District Meeting-

My next district meeting which I'm currently holding twice a year is scheduled for Wednesday September 30th at 5:30p at Thunderbird Grad School. Tentative presentation



Unveiling Ceremony held July 28th at the Glendale Regional Public Safety Training Facility (GRPSTC). Pictured from Left to Right: Assistant Chief Rick St. Jo, Councilmember Sherwood, and Assistant Fire Chief Elio Pompa.

2 Chances to WIN Conce Tickets!!!

Look for an announcement this week for the following concert tic



transportation plan, Envision 2040 (our General Plan Update that comes before voters in August 2016), and public works. If there is any subject that would be interesting to you, please let us know.

Sam Smith- 2 tickets available for August 12, 2015, 7:30pm, Gil River Arena.

Taylor Swift- 2 tickets available for August 17, 2015, 7:30 pm, Gil River Arena.

SOUND-OFF QUESTION.

Here's another sampling of the Arizona Republic's "sound-off" which runs in Saturday's Glendale community section asking West Valley elected officials to weigh in on that week's question. This one ran on July 25th.

In light of this week's bridge collapse on Interstate 10 in California, what is the most pressing infrastructure need in your community?

The City of Glendale Engineering staff is working on several projects that are intended to service and maintain the infrastructure and keep areas of attention from becoming "pressing." A consultant was secured thru ADOT to inspect all the bridges in Glendale, plans and specifications were developed to address the highest priority recommendations from the report and construction will begin on August 10, 2015. As part of the council approved Pavement Management Program, City staff is managing the engineering and construction of over \$15M of street and paving improvements in FY15 & 16. Drainage improvements are being identified as a result of a weather event last September. As studies are completed and advanced to design phase, construction is expected to begin in early 2016. The Legislature has used road-dedicated gas tax to balance the state's general fund budget for five

Get the latest information about what's happening in the Sahuaros District and the city of Glendale by visiting the Sahuaros District Weekly Update page.

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SHERWOOD'S ADVISORY GROUP

STILL RECRUITING- Councilmember Sherwood is putting together an advisory board and he wants you to be a part of it! This group meets mostly through emails, in which the councilmember will run ideas and ask for input and opinion.

If you are interested in being part of Sherwood's Advisory Group, please email Emily Michael with your contact information, and any affiliation (business, community, etc) at emichael@glendaleaz.com.

THIS WEEK *with* COUNCILMEMBER SHERWOOD.

Greetings Sahuaros Residents,

Past Events-

Highlighted: Unveiling Ceremony(Pictured Above) held July 28th at the Glendale Regional Public Safety Training Facility (GRPSTC). Glendale Public Art grant allowed photographic artist, Roni Ziemba of Ziemba Photographic Arts, to capture the various roles of public safety staff at the Super Bowl and their tireless work to keep Glendale safe. Photographic art from Ziemba's collection, "Excellence in Public Safety - The Art of First Response in Glendale, AZ", featuring Glendale Police and Firefighters will be permanently displayed at the Glendale Regional Public Safety Center.



shortfall immediate need for highway safety and improvement.

Event Highlights

Dog Days of Summer. Dog lovers gathered in downtown Glendale for the city's annual Dog Days of Summer event last Saturday, August 1st. This year's attendance was record breaking with over 1000 people and their 2000 furry friends. Visitors enjoyed an informative & fun filled morning even in the heat of the summer! Saturday. The city's sixth annual event had interactive fun activities, pet wellness information, Glendale PD K-9 demonstration, animal adoptions and shopping in Murphy Park. The event also featured the debut of the Glendale "Paw-sker" Awards, a talent show of sorts, to recognize tricky pets in the following categories: Best Trick; Best Kisser; Best Hair; and the Wildest Tail Wagger.



Pictured from Left to Right: Councilmember Aldama (Ocotillo District), Asst. Police Chief Matt Lively, and Councilmember Sherwood (Sahuaro District).

Learn more about the West Phoenix/Central Glendale Transit Corridor Study. Valley Metro has initiated a transit corridor study for the West Phoenix/Central Glendale area to identify high-capacity transit service options to connect downtown Glendale to the existing light rail system. In partnership with the city of Glendale, city of Phoenix, and the community, the study will determine a route location and type of transit (light rail or bus rapid transit) that will serve the area between

Last of Four Public Discussions held July 30th, on a possible Discrimination ordinance for the city. Over 150 Glendale citizens, and businesses participated over the past month at various venues around the city. The initial reports back is that it surpassed community involvement that Phoenix, Tempe, Mesa, and Scottsdale had while going thru their ordinance process. The information collected during these discussions are being discriminated and presentation format to go before the city council in a workshop environment tentatively scheduled for October 6th.

National League of Cities - First Tier Suburbs (FTS) Council attended a three day meeting in the Cleveland area late last week. Our FTS council met with the host city, Bedford, who had just lost its major employer, Ford Motor Company. We toured several areas of Cleveland where they are redeveloping areas that back in the day were inner city areas of commerce that fell into bad times. One of the more interesting areas visited called Gordon Square, an area like Roosevelt Street in Phoenix, which has been reinvented into a theater district with a residential component. I saw parallels with how downtown Glendale could look like along Glendale Avenue in the next decade or so.



We also took a tour of a new BRT (Bus Rapid Transit) line called the Healy Line. These are special lanes that travel in their own right lane. This recently opened and is responsible for many redevelopment projects. It connects to the cultural center at University Circle and a plethora of museums.

Finally to their health campuses, home of the Cleveland Clinic, Cancer Center, and University Hospitals Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital, all ranked top five in the country. I was impressed with how much this BRT line has developed the area in which it runs in. Cleveland also has Light Rail and regular buses which serve the metropolis.

There were also panel discussions with the Ohio First Suburbs Consortium having to do with vacant buildings, shopping centers, abandoned industrial/warehousing areas. Ohio uses Land Bank to remove blighted never-again-to-be-occupied homes and build and repurposing that land to benefit the community. We listened to a presentation from the Thriving Communities Institute on how the Land Banks work and the effect they have had, especially on first tier suburbs.

The First Tier Suburbs Council (FTS), represent cities and towns on the outer edge of central cities and inside the ring of developing suburbs and rural areas. They share unique challenges and strengths that should be included in national, state and regional policy discussions. They are diverse in respect to size, demographic characteristics, age and history, and governmental structure.

Councilmember Gary Sherwood

Ave. to Camelback Rd. To learn more about the project and view the routes under consideration, visit valleymetro.org/Glendale.

Valley Metro Releases Light Rail Economic Development Information

Valley Metro announced July 28th that the economic impact of light rail, more than \$8.2 billion in private and public capital investment has been built near the current initial 20-miles of light rail. See councilmember's comments on the following YouTube

https://youtu.be/X-PzzG7_5Q

ECONOMIST VIEW

Here are a couple of blog posts from national economists, Dr. Elliot Eisenberg, both from last week.

Meaty Measurement

The Friday File: Assuming exchange rates and prices eventually adjust to make the same item equally priced everywhere, the Big Mac Index was developed. In Switzerland, a Big Mac is a whopping \$6.82; its currency is hopelessly overvalued. In Russia, \$1.88. Putin, clearly a meaty monetary master. These numbers should be taken with a grain of salt and side of ketchup; economic theories, like Purchasing Power Parity, may oversimplify things.

Dropping Diesel

The cost of diesel is below the price of gasoline for the first time since 2009. Gasoline prices peak in spring/summer due to driving, while diesel demand peaks in autumn and winter due to agricultural activity and winter heating. Therefore, the price gap is widest in January and smallest in summer. Additionally, global demand for gasoline is skyrocketing while it's falling for diesel, yet refiners can't avoid making both simultaneously.

GLENDALE COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

GLENDALE PUBLIC SAFETY

- **Next Coffee with a Cop Gatherings:**
 - **Wednesday August 19th 9:00a Parson's Rest. Northern Ave.**
 - **Wednesday August 19th 6:30p @Dillon's BBQ 59th Ave.**
 - **Wednesday September 16th @ Mimi's Cafe - 7 Rd.**
- **Hot Cars Can Kill-** Watch this public service video.
- **Glendale Fire Department Seeks Public Input On Hazard Mitigation Plan.** A multi-jurisdictional planning team of representatives from Maricopa County and the 27 participating jurisdictions including tribes, cities, towns and other local governmental entities substantially located within Maricopa has been meeting regularly to participate in a hazard mitigation planning process. The purpose of this process is to update the current version of the Maricopa County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan according to The Disaster Mitigation Act (DMA2K). The DMA2K requires all local, county, tribal and state governments to have a FEMA approved hazard mitigation plan in order to be eligible for certain federal disaster mitigation funds. The first draft of the newly updated 2015 Maricopa County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan has been completed and is ready for public viewing and comment. The updated draft plan can be downloaded at the following website: http://www.maricopa.gov/Emerg_Mgt/links.aspx or you can contact your community's representative as listed below

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The Glendale Police Department is using Nextdoor to connect residents to promote stronger and safer neighborhoods. This service is monitored 24/7. For emergencies call 9-1-1.

Join NextDoor



- **Glendale Splash Pads.** Cool off and have fun for FREE at one of Glendale's two splash pads! The location and hours of the two splash pads are:

Heroes Park Splash Pad -
83rd Ave. & Berridge Ln. (on
83rd Ave., just north of
Bethany Home Rd.).

***May 23 - August 9: open
daily from 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

***August 15 - September 7:
open weekends only from 11
a.m.-6 p.m.

**Sycamore Grove Park
Splash Pad** - 86th Lane and
Emil Rovey Parkway.

***May 25 - September 7;
open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

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